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This is a Reply to the Office Action mailed January 11, 2008. The original period of response to the Office Action is a shortened statutory period of three (3) months from the mailing date. Accordingly, the original time period for response was April 11, 2008. Since this Reply is being submitted within one-month from April 11, 2008, Applicants request a one-month extension of time to file this Reply and authorizes the Office to charge any required fees for proper consideration of the present Reply to Deposit Account No. 502,261, as a small entity.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims in the present Application in view of the Remarks below.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.

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